

Did you know?



Taking medicine that wasn't prescribed to you is abuse.

Abusing certain painkillers is similar to abusing heroin because their ingredients affect the brain in the same way.

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Did you know that while rates of
drug abuse are down overall,

**more and more teens are
abusing prescription drugs
today?**



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Parents Shine Light on Substance Abuse



Parents can make a difference.

Kids who learn about the risks of drugs at home are up to **50 percent less likely to use drugs** than those who are not taught about the dangers.

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About how many people in the U.S. **die every year from overdosing on prescription pain relievers** (called “opioids”)?

A. 750

B. 2,300

C. 9,500

D. 19,000



Each person represents 1,000 deaths

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